SPONSORSHIP

The Merced County Education (MCE) Foundation needs your help to expand the horizon for Merced County students. Join us to create learning experiences beyond the classroom. YOU will help shape the experiences for our students, contributing to a prosperous Merced County.

Superintendent’s Circle $10,000 +
Diamond $5,000 - $9,999
Platinum $2,500 - $4,999
Gold $1,000 - $2,499
Silver $500 - $999
Bronze $250 - $499
Foundation Friend $100 - $249

STEM EDUCATION

Advancing STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) learning opportunities in Merced County capitalizes on existing resources while preparing students for future valued and rewarding careers. Success in STEM education builds a regional workforce that is knowledgeable and highly skilled—required for improving our economy through business development.

The MCE Foundation continues to provide opportunities like Fields of Engineering Days and Science Café to increase local awareness of STEM.

• $250 sponsors STEM activities like a Science Café or Fields of Engineering Day for Merced County students.
• $250 from 50 sponsors will support the first Merced County STEM Fair and keep it going each year.

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Focusing on college and/or career readiness will increase our student success rate as well as that of our local economy. Students need help to explore college and career options, gain employability skills, prepare for advanced education and training, learn new job skills and/or increase work experience in addition to developing skills for specific fields.

• $100 sponsors a student as they prepare for and transition to college and/or career.
• $250 helps provide opportunities for students throughout the school year to prepare for advanced education and/or training.

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MERCED COUNTY EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Imagine a prosperous Merced County lead by students who had the best educational experiences through enhanced learning activities...

Creating opportunities beyond the classroom
MCE FOUNDATION

...provided by sponsors like you. Let’s maximize academic achievement and expand the horizon for Merced County students.

Sponsorships directly benefit Merced County students in these focus areas:

- **Outdoor Science Education**
- **Visual & Performing Arts**
- **STEM education**
  (science, technology, engineering and mathematics)
- **College & Career**

Together, we can shape the learning experiences of Merced County students.

See our current activities at www.mcoe.org/foundation

OUTDOOR SCIENCE

Camp Green Meadows, operated by the Merced County Office of Education, is an ideal place for outdoor education, offering experiences that build science knowledge and exploration of what is in our own backyard. More than 2,500 students attend each year. Camp Green Meadows is in dire need of updates to technology and improved spaces for students with special abilities, to accommodate a nurse’s station and areas for enhanced learning activities. The Foundation is committed to improving the experience for all who enjoy Camp Green Meadows.

- $250 a year moves us closer to our overall goal of $350,000 to update the nurse’s station, spaces for students with special abilities and areas for enhanced learning activities.
- $100 from 400 people will replace an old refurbished generator from World War II.

Did you attend Camp Green Meadows as a child? Share your experience! Email Mrs. Lee Lor at llor@mcoe.org.

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Participation in visual and performing arts activities increases students’ confidence and self-esteem, encouraging them to express their thoughts and feelings. They experience first-hand the importance of teamwork and the influence of the arts.

Throughout the school year, opportunities like the Children’s Concert and Children’s Opera are available. Students become inspired to participate in more art activities.

Each summer, fourth through eighth grade students, along with high school volunteers, spend six weeks learning many aspects of putting together a live stage play. The Summer Performing Arts Program culminates with final performances open to the public.

What visual and performing arts activities might the Foundation create or support?

- $50 helps increase and promote local arts activities.
- $100 helps sponsor arts activities for elementary schools.
- $250 from 120 sponsors will create a new two-week arts program during the summer.
- $250 from 150 sponsors keeps the successful Summer Performing Arts Programs open to over 120 students and 1,200 attendees.

“I really learned from the Summer [Performing] Arts Program how to let go and just not care what people thought about me and just have fun.”

-Grace Gouveia